

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS

CANBERRA - AUSTRALIA.

Statement showing MINIMUM RATES OF WAGE AND ORDINARY HOURS OF LABOUR
FOR ADULT MALE WORKERS IN SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, AT
31ST DECEMBER, 1946.

Rates of Wage are quoted from latest Award, Determination or Agreement
in force at 31st December, 1946.

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
	Rates of wages per week	Hrs.	Rates of wages per week	Hrs.
<u>WOOD, FURNITURE, SAWMILLS ETC.</u>				
<u>COOPERING -</u>				
Cooper	144/-	44	161/-	44
<u>FURNITURE -</u>				
Cabinet Maker	142/-	"	139/-	"
Chairmaker	142/-	"	139/-	"
French Polisher	142/-	"	139/-	"
Wood Carver	142/-	"	139/-	"
Wood Machinist.. .. .	142/-	"	139/-	"
<u>SAWMILLING AND TIMBER YARDS -</u>				
Box and Case Maker	125/-	"	123/-	"
Labourer	111/-	"	109/-	"
Machinist -				
Boults Carver	138/-	"	136/-	"
Moulding	117/- to 134/-	"	115/- to 122/-	"
Planing	129/- & 132/-	"	127/- & 129/-	"
Shaping	138/-	"	136/-	"
Orderman	125/-	"	123/-	"
Sawyer -				
Band or Jig	135/- to 141/-	"	124/- to 139/-	"
Circular	125/- to 134/-	"	124/- to 132/-	"
Tallyman	125/-	"	123/-	"
<u>ENGINEERING, METAL WORKS, ETC.</u>				
<u>BOILERMAKING -</u>				
Boilermaker	144/-	"	142/-	"
Helper	120/-	"	118/-	"
Labourer	120/-	"	118/-	"
<u>BRASSWORKING -</u>				
Finisher	132/- to 144/-	"	130/- to 142/-	"
Moulder	123/- to 144/-	"	121/- to 142/-	"
<u>ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION -</u>				
Armature Winder	144/-	"	142/-	"
Fitter	144/-	"	142/-	"
Linesman	135/-	"	133/-	"
Mechanic	144/-	"	142/-	"
Wireman	135/-	"	133/-	"
<u>ELECTRICAL SUPPLY -</u>				
Armature Winder	150/-	"	142/-	"
Instrument Maker	150/-	"	142/-	"
Linesman	144/-	"	133/-	"
Shift Electrician	150/-	"	142/-	"
<u>ENGINEERING -</u>				
Blacksmith	145/-	"	143/-	"
Brassfinisher	132/- & 144/-	"	132/-	"
Coppersmith	145/-	"	143/-	"
Fitter	144/-	"	142/-	"
Labourer	120/-	"	118/-	"
Patternmaker	152/-	"	150/-	"
Shapers	144/-	"	142/-	"
Striker	120/- to 122/-	"	118/- & 120/-	"
Turner	144/-	"	142/-	"

Industry and Occupation		SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS, ETC.					
TAILORING (ORDER) -					
Cutter	186/6	44	145/-	44
Presser	136/-	"	136/-	"
Tailor	136/-	"	136/-	"
TAILORING (READYMADE)					
Cutter	139/-	"	139/-	"
Presser	136/-	"	136/-	"
Tailor	136/-	"	136/-	"
Trimmer	136/-	"	136/-	"
TEXTILE-WORKING -					
(WOOLLEN MILLS)					
Carder	114/-	"	114/-	"
Dyehousman	115/-	"	115/-	"
Labourer (General)	108/-	"	108/-	"
Scourer	118/6 to 121/-	"	118/6 to 121/-	"
Spinner	119/-	"	114/-	"
Tuner	115/- to 132/-	"	115/- to 132/-	"
Warper	116/-	"	116/-	"
BOOKS, PRINTING, BINDING ETC.					
BOOKBINDING -					
Finisher	140/-	"	139/-	"
Bookbinding (Journey-man)	140/-	"	139/-	"
Paper Ruler	140/-	"	139/-	"
PRINTING (DAILY NEWSPAPER)					
Compositor	174/6	"	162/6 & 179/-	33
Day Work	184/6	42	172/6 & 189/-	33
Night Work				
Machinist -					
Day Work	174/6	44	177/-	40
Night Work	184/6	41	192/-	38
Publisher	154/6 & 164/6	42	148/6 & 159/6	40 & 38
Reader -					
Day Work	182/6	44	182/6	40
Night Work	192/6	42	172/6	38
Stereotyper -					
Day Work	167/-	42	164/6	39
Night Work	177/-	40	179/6	38
PRINTING (JOBBER OFFICES)					
Compositor	140/- & 149/-	44	139/- & 148/-	44
Linotype Operator	149/-	"	148/-	"
Machinist	140/-	"	139/-	"
Reader	143/-	"	142/-	"
Stereotyper	140/-	"	130/-	"
OTHER MANUFACTURING					
BRICKMAKING -					
Burner	138/- & 143/6	"	134/-	"
Clayholeman	135/3	"	143/-	"
Drawer	138/-	"	141/- & 143/6	"
Trucker	132/6	"	135/6	"
Setter	138/-	"	141/- & 143/6	"
COCKMAKING -					
Bodysmaker	140/- & 144/-	"	138/- & 142/-	"
Labourer	111/-	"	109/-	"
Painter	140/-	"	138/-	"
Springmaker	144/-	"	142/-	"
Trimmer	140/-	"	130/-	"
Wheelwright	140/-	"	138/-	"
GAS-MAKING AND SUPPLY -					
Coke Trimmer	120/-	"	117/-	"
Gasfitter	146/-	"	154/10	"

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
<u>GAS-MAKING AND SUPPLY Contd.)</u>				
Labourer	111/-	44	109/-	44
Meter Tester	119/- to 129/-	"	133/9	"
Service Layer	134/-	"	128/-	"
Service Layers' Labourer	116/-	"	117/-	"
Stoker	132/-	"	125/- to 133/-	"
<u>JEWELLERY -</u>				
Chainmaker	134/-	"	133/6	"
Mounter	134/-	"	133/6	"
Setter	134/-	"	133/6	"
<u>SADDLERY AND HARNESS MAKING -</u>				
Collar Maker	131/-	"	131/-	"
Harness Maker.	131/-	"	131/-	"
<u>TANNING AND CURRYING -</u>				
Beamsman	131/-	"	131/-	"
Labourer	117/-	"	117/-	"
Limeman	129/-	"	129/-	"
Machinist -				
Shaving	131/- & 132/-	"	131/- & 132/-	"
Splitting	143/-	"	143/-	"
Unhairing	131/-	"	131/-	"
Tableman	131/- & 134/-	"	131/- & 134/-	"

BUILDING

Bricklayer	155/-	"		163/6	"	
Carpenter	155/2	"		163/6	"	
Mason (Stone)	132/2	40		147/-	"	
Painter	145/6	44		163/6	"	
Paperhanger	145/6	"		163/6	"	
Signwriter	152/10	"		163/6	"	
Plasterer	155/-	"		162/6	"	
Plumber	153/10	"		163/6	"	
Labourer -						
Bricklayer's	117/-	"		136/4	"	
Carpenter's	117/-	"		136/4	"	
Concrete Worker	117/-	"		136/4	"	
Earth Excavator	117/-	"		136/4	"	
Gear Worker	123/-	"		148/3	"	
Scaffold Hand	123/-	"		148/3	"	

RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY SERVICES

<u>RAILWAYS -</u>						
<u>Engine Driver Loco -</u>						
1st Class	166/- & 179/-	Ø		165/- & 171/-	Ø	
2nd Class	160/-	Ø		159/-	Ø	
3rd Class	154/-	Ø		153/-	Ø	
<u>Fireman -</u>						
1st Class	139/- & 142/8	Ø		126/- to 132/-	Ø	
2nd Class	136/-	Ø		123/-	Ø	
3rd Class	125/- & 130/-	Ø		120/-	Ø	
<u>Guard -</u>						
1st Class	148/-	Ø		149/-	Ø	
2nd Class	137/- to 142/-	Ø		134/- to 143/-	Ø	
3rd Class	124/- to 132/-	Ø		134/- to 143/-	Ø	
Porter	112/- to 136/-	Ø		119/- to 122/-	Ø	
<u>Shunter -</u>						
1st Class	146/6 & 149/6	Ø		146/- to 149/-	Ø	
2nd Class	139/- & 142/-	Ø		138/6 to 139/6	Ø	
3rd Class	124/- to 134/6	Ø		122/- to 129/6	Ø	
<u>Signalmen -</u>						
1st Class	158/-	Ø		146/-	Ø	
2nd Class	152/6	Ø		135/6	Ø	
3rd Class	136/6	Ø		129/6	Ø	
<u>TRAMWAYS -</u>						
<u>Conductor -</u>						
1st Year	120/- & 122/-	Ø		121/-	Ø	
2nd Year	125/-	Ø		124/-	Ø	
3rd Year	127/-	Ø		127/-	Ø	

Industry and Occupation	SYDNEY		MELBOURNE	
RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY SERVICES (CONTD.)				
TRAMWAYS (Contd.) -				
Labourer	114/-	Ø	115/-	Ø
Maintenance Man	114/- to 120/-	Ø	124/-	Ø
Motorman -				
1st Year	130/6	Ø	121/-	Ø
2nd Year	130/6	Ø	124/-	Ø
3rd Year	130/6	Ø	127/-	Ø
Pitman	131/-	Ø	133/-	Ø
Ø 88 hours per fortnight				
TRANSPORT (OTHER)				
CARRYING - MERCHANDISE -				
Carter -				
1 horse	124/-	44	115/-	44
2 horses	129/-	"	120/-	"
Stablehand	123/6 to 128/6	"	110/6	"
Motor Lorries and Waggon under -				
3 tons	126/- to 136/-	"	120/- to 124/-	"
3 tons and over	140/- to 144/-	"	127/-	"
WHARF LABOUR -				
Wharf Labourer (Per hour)	4/- to 4/5	"	4/- to 4/5	"
HOTELS, ETC.				
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Barman	122/-	44	120/-	44
Billiard Marker	110/-	"	114/6	"
Cook	121/- to 223/-	"	120/6 to 156/-	"
Handyman	110/-	"	114/6	"
Kitcheman	112/-	"	114/6	"
Porter	110/- & 133/-	"	114/6	"
Waiter	110/- & 117/-	"	114/6 & 120/	"
HAIRDRESSING -				
Full Hand	134/-	"	156/6	47
Hairdresser	129/-	"	124/-	48
GENERAL LABOUR				
FACTORY ENGINE DRIVING -				
Engine Driver -				
1st Class	126/- & 129/-	"	124/- & 127/-	"
2nd Class	123/- & 126/-	"	121/- & 124/-	"
Fireman -				
1st Class	123/-	"	121/-	"
2nd Class	118/6	"	116/6	"
MUNICIPAL -				
Labourer	116/-	"	115/-	"
Street Sweeper	116/-	"	114/-	"
SHOP ASSISTANTS -				
Boot Salesman.. ..	131/-	"	129/6	46
Drapery Salesman	131/-	"	134/-	43 ³ / ₄
Furniture Salesman	131/-	"	137/-	46
Grocery Salesman	131/-	"	123/-	46
Hardware Salesman	131/-	"	125/-	46
Men's Clothing Salesman	131/-	"	134/-	43 ³ / ₄
STOREMEN AND PACKERS -				
Packer (General)	124/6 & 127/6	"	122/6	44
Storeman (General)	123/- & 125/6	"	122/6	44

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